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Characteristic of the amiable relationship at Baptist Headquarters, Mrs. Luella D. Edwards, director of Vacation Bible School work, is shown presenting a farewell gift to the Rev. J. W. White, director of Baptist Training Union work, on behalf of staff members, while Executive Secretary O. L. Sherrill (center) looks on. The Rev. White ended his work on July 2 to assume full charge of the pastorate of the Mt. Zion Baptist Church of Asheville.

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LOTT CAREY TO MEET IN COLUMBUS

The Fifty-First Annual Session of the Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Mission Convention, U.S.A. will be held August 31-September 3, at the Trinity Baptist Church, Columbus, Ohio, it was announced recently by Executive Secretary, W. C. Sommerville.

The Committee on Arrangements has requested that delegates write Dr. N. L. Scarborough, host pastor, at 474 North Garfield Avenue, Columbus, Ohio, for reservations immediately.

Expense per delegate will be \$3.00 a day. This will include two meals a day and room.

Arrangements are being made to charter a special train to Columbus for the benefit of delegates leaving from North Carolina and Virginia. The train will leave Durham, North Carolina, and will make stops in Winston-Salem and points in Virginia. For complete details, please write: Executive Secretary, P. O. Box 287, Raleigh, N. C.

RAIL RATES "THE POCAHONTAS" SERVICE From Durham, N. C. to Columbus, Ohio and Return

One-way coach	\$16.32
Round-trip coach	24.78
One-way Pullman Class, Lay Delegates.....	22.75
Round-trip Pullman Class, Lay Delegates....	41.34
One-way Clergy Fare	11.39
Round-trip Clergy Fare	22.77

Note—Clergy Fare good in coaches or Pullman cars.

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Dean Luther A. Weigle of the Divinity School of Yale University, has characterized the Supreme Court decision barring religious instruction from the public schools of Champaign, Ill., as "utterly mischievous, not because of the particular point decided, but because of the tremendous loose welter of words used and ideas embodied in it." "My greatest objection," he said, "is that in all the talking of the judges, they betrayed themselves into use of terms which will be interpreted as signifying that the state is atheistic, believing in no God at all."

—Baptist Leader.

Protestant churches, choirs, and musical and worship groups and classes throughout the English-speaking world are being urged by the Hymn Society of America, Dr. Deane Edwards, president, to observe the year 1948 as a "Watts Year," marking the two hundredth anniversary of the death (November 25, 1748) of Dr. Isaac Watts, "the father of modern hymnody."

The observance will take the form of hymn festivals by local churches or groups of churches, programs of Watts hymns in regular church services, special programs of Watts hymns in schools or by community choruses, and special local radio programs of music. Materials and further information regarding celebrations may be secured from the executive secretary of the Society, Dr. Reginald L. McAll at 2268 Sedgwick Ave., New York, New York.

Hokum: "No getting around it. There's one fellow you have to take your hat off to."

Yokum: "Who's that?"

Hokum: "The barber."

—Sun, School Informer.

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Editorial Comments

Deserving Honor

The election of President Robert P. Daniel of Shaw University as president of the Association of Northern Baptist Educational Institutions should be termed more than an act to demonstrate democracy in the organization. The recognition given to Dr. Daniel is an honor which he unquestionably deserves.

Of the 63 institutions affiliated with the Association, none has made greater progress in the past ten years than the college headed by Dr. Daniel. Certainly none has developed a more amiable and cooperative relationship between school and church than has Shaw.

For the advancement Shaw has made in this area during the administration of President Daniel, and for his eminent leadership in the field of Christian education, he well deserves the honor of presiding over an association of Institutions whose primary task is to strengthen the cooperative spirit between them and the churches which support them!

SIXTH ANNUAL TRAINING CONFERENCE

With the theme—"The Importance of Christian Stewardship in the Training and Teaching Program of the Church," the sixth Annual Training Conference for Sunday School and Baptist Training Union leaders and workers, sponsored annually by the Convention, was held June 28-July 2, on the campus of Shaw University.

Although the major emphasis was on teaching for more effective church service, there were several other helpful and inspiring features which contributed immeasurably to the attractiveness and success of the conference.

Dynamic and prophetic messages were delivered each day at noon in the newly erected Shaw Church by the Rev. Dr. Edwin Luther Cunningham, pas-

tor of the St. Paul Baptist Church of Philadelphia. The Rev. Mr. Cunningham is an eloquent gospel preacher and an eminent pastor.

Preceding each noon and evening service, was an inspiring and moving worship service, conducted by the Rev. K. O. P. Goodwin, pastor of the Mt. Zion Baptist Church of Winston-Salem.

Evening sermons were delivered by the Rev. Cunningham, the Rev. D. G. Speller, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Burlington (accompanied by his gospel choir); and the Rev. H. W. Wiley, pastor of the Friendship Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, N. C. A Talent Program, featuring the talents of the young people attending the Conference, was conducted on Wednesday evening by Mrs. Luella D. Edwards, director of Vacation Bible School Work.

Aside from the regular courses in Sunday School and Baptist Training Union work, there were special courses offered in Baptist Training Union Record Keeping, Financing the Christian Church, and Church Drama with emphasis upon Visual Education.

The Conference was directed by the Rev. John W. White, former B. T. U. Director. Leaders and Teachers were:

The Rev. E. L. Brodie, Louisburg; the Rev. J. W. Wiley, Weldon; Arthur Williams, Louisburg; Miss Eva L. Merritt, the Rev. P. H. Johnson, Mrs. Gladys Sherrill, Mrs. Pattie Smith, Mrs. M. L. Chavis, Miss Queen E. Blackwell, Raleigh; Mrs. Edna B. Taylor, Pinehurst; Mrs. Annie M. Evans, Fayetteville.

Vernon Herron, Charlotte; the Rev. Chas. M. Creecy, Rich Square; Miss Emaline Bazemore, Windsor; the Rev. L. C. Riddick, Summit, New Jersey; Miss Mary Lou Wall, Raleigh; Miss Mary Filmore, Durham; Mrs. J. W. Manley, Rocky Mount; Mrs. J. A. Little, Monroe.

Mrs. Marylin G. Perry, Miss Luey Wright, Miss Margaret Wallace, Mrs. Olivia L. Wright, Miss Edna Albritton, Mrs. Georgia Grant, Miss Ora Lee Bryant, Mrs. Marion Morris and Mrs. Mamie S. Garrett.

The Rev. C. C. Sharp was in charge of Conference music.

Baptists: State and National

C. F. GRAVES

In the June issue of the *Informer*, in my release, mention was made of G. E. Cheek, Director of Public Relations of Shaw University, and his visit to Roanoke Baptist Association at Meltons Grove Baptist Church, near Winfall, N. C. To comment further about Cheek, I think he is relating the work of Shaw to the people in a very helpful and stimulating manner. This enables much of the field administrative responsibility to be carried by him that otherwise might and would be upon President Daniel. Cheek is a capable man.

Mrs. Rachel Luton Boyce of Windsor, N. C., has submitted a thoughtful study on "United We Grow," also in the June issue of the *Informer*, that is a Utopian pattern. The Baptist Church is one of growth numerically certainly, but we differ and splinter and grow also. There is no disagreement with the conclusions, she reaches the unanimity of support of our Christian objects—schools Shaw in particular and other Baptist and Christian schools. (We should not have allowed the lower church schools to be yielded. We needed them when we organized them. We need them now. There is a background which distinguishes them from the secular school).

Near Clinton, N. C., there is the Six Runs Baptist Church pastored by Brother J. M. Grimes. How did it get its name? You are asking the same question I did. It is located near a swamp originally into which six rivulets or "runs" emptied, and around whose edge sides many thrifty farmers earned their living and where they decided to construct a church. It is a large building in the shape of a T. The pastor invited us to be his guest on the 4th Sunday in May which was "Mother's Day." There were mimeographed programs and every item was in the hands of the women who seemed to be an intelligent group. I was impressed with the unusually large congregation of men who were present at this service. Visitors were in attendance also.

We attended a revival meeting in Goldsboro at Eastern Chapel Baptist Church of which Rev. J. M. Grimes is pastor and Rev. J. M. Mallette was the speaker. The meeting was largely attended by a mixed audience of Negro and white persons, all giving assent to the preaching of that princely preacher's uplifted voice. There seemed to be nothing unusual in this mixed audience, no segregation, nor apparently no thought of it.

Rev. Curtis A. Proctor of Elizabeth City was installed as pastor of Joppa Baptist Church, Hobbsville, N. C., the first Sunday in June. Those speaking were Rev. W. J. Moore, M. W. Griffin, C. F. Graves. Visitors from near by also from Ivor, Virginia, in two bus loads attended.

The Sharon Baptist Association, S. L. Latham, Moderator, convened at Portsmouth, Virginia, with

Celestial Baptist Church. The organization is made up of the Womans' Auxiliary and the S. S. Convention. Their financial object is Virginia College and Seminary. President M. C. Allen was present and encouraged the hearts of the messengers with his statement that the College will be accredited by the State, so that pupils will no longer be required to take examinations before receiving admission to professional study. This is a distinct achievement of the Negro Baptists of Virginia.

We left for Cleveland, Ohio, June 21st in company with the Corner Stone Baptist Church delegation of 8 persons to attend the National Sunday School and Baptist Training Union School of Methods. This school is accredited by the International Council Religious Education of Chicago, Ill., which serves 42 denominations with their Sunday School material. The editors of the different denominations which it serves, make their religious interpretations according to their own faith. The 165 teachers are accredited by the Department of Christian Education of our Sunday School Publishing Board. The Congress was set up by the late Dr. S. N. Vass, first Secretary of Christian Education. It was further expanded by Dr. M. A. Talley the second Secretary.

It has been our privilege to serve as Instructor of "The Church Program for Seniors" for the past 20 years. Other North Carolinians at Cleveland were Rev. Jerry Drayton and his delegation of 12 from New Bethel Baptist Church; Mrs. Edna B. Taylor of Pinehurst. There were also Rev. Thomas Kilgore, of New York; Lonnie J. Thompson, of Hempstead, New York; G. C. Lassiter, of Franklin, Virginia; President J. L. Tilley, St. Augustine, Fla. Friday night, June 25th, was Negro Baptist College Hour. The feature was directed by President R. P. Daniel. C. F. Graves represented Shaw in the great Auditorium which seats 10,000 people.

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From Winston-Salem, N. C. to Columbus, Ohio and Return

One-way coach	\$15.24
Round-trip coach	23.17
One-way Pullman Class, Lay Delegates.....	21.23
Round-trip Pullman Class, Lay Delegates.....	38.93
One-way Clergy Fare	10.64
Round-trip Clergy Fare	21.28

Note—Clergy Fares good in coaches or Pullman cars.

Pullman lower berth Durham to Columbus (one way)	7.13
Pullman lower berth Winston-Salem to Columbus (one way)	6.56

All fares quoted are current and are subject to change, also include Federal Tax, which is 15%.

AS A LAYMAN SEES IT—

By O. A. DUPREE

A LARGER EMPHASIS ON THE CHURCH SCHOOL

It is surprising and at the same time disgusting, to realize the status of our Baptist churches with regards to the Sunday School. It is appalling to realize the number of pastors, deacons, and other high church leaders that are not concerned at all with this department of our church.

A little research was made sometime ago by a Sunday School Convention of the status of the Sunday Schools within its boundary or connection. It was discovered that upwards about 40% of the churches in the district did not have any type of Sunday School or training department. Out of about 60 churches, there were only three or four BTU organizations. Most churches in the district held services once per month and many of these one-Sunday churches were in the class that had no Sunday School department at all.

Do these conditions have a tendency to prove why that in our colleges today students do not attend church. Does it also help to prove why there is a great falling off in church attendance in quite a few places. It is hard to visualize hundreds of communities that have one-Sunday churches with no training department, antiquated and many times very little evangelism programs that make for lasting conditions conducive to upright living and ethical character, whose church program manipulated only by and for adults and at the same time crush ambitious youth so that they do not express themselves for the upbuilding of the church. In this type of community, the young people hear the same old story that they are going to hell and "to the dogs" with nothing provided to keep them out.

What a pity that these "high" church leaders do not realize the opportunities they are missing to keep the young people "away from the dogs." A wide-awake Sunday School not only saves the young people, but will help keep many of the old "soldiers of the cross" from "gossiping" and keeping the church disorganized.

In the February 7th issue, this year, of the Sunday School Times, there is a challenging article by John Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, on "CRIME AND THE SUNDAY SCHOOL." It is hoped that every church leader will secure a copy of this statistical report of the value of the Sunday School in controlling crime. It is suggested that copies of this report be ordered and distributed among the members of the church and Sunday Schools in an effort to acquaint them with conditions as they exist at the present time. Copies may be obtained postpaid at 3 cents each, 25 cents a dozen, \$1.50 a hundred, or \$6.00

for five hundred from The Sunday School Times Co., 325 N. 13th Street, Philadelphia, Pa. It has been discovered that the Sunday Schools of the nations have made a definite contribution to the prevention of crime in this country. In fact, it is paying a high tribute to the thousands of men and women who are Sunday School Teachers throughout the nation, he says that "we in the law enforcement look upon them as companion-in-arms in the fight against crime."

A Shocking Record

In the early part of this report, mentioned above in the Sunday School Times, the author cites a shocking record that should cause every Christian to sit up. Hoover reports that in 1946 during the average day 36 persons were slain, 33 were raped, and 185 others were feloniously assaulted. During 24 hours, on the average, 172 persons were robbed, 981 burglaries were reported to the police, 630 cars were stolen, in addition to 2,580 miscellaneous larcenies of various type were committed. Although a comparatively small percentage of the total offences were classed as violent crime against persons, it is significant to observe that every 5.7 minutes in 1946 there was a criminal homicide, rape or assault with intent to kill.

The second part of this report is more appalling and certainly should be considered. He says that the "rise in crime during 1946 revealed that we are still faced with an abnormally high rate of juvenile misbehavior. Youngsters under 21 years of age were responsible for 51 per cent of the auto thefts, 41 per cent of the burglaries, 28 per cent of the robberies, 27 per cent of the thefts, 26 per cent of the rapes and 18 per cent of the arsons. More than one-half of all crimes against property during 1946 were committed by persons under 25 years of age."

How can ministers and "high" church leaders go on and on undisturbed and satisfied when juvenile crime is on the rampage? How can men of God continue to milk the masses of their means of subsistence and not offer them a church program that will save the youth from a living hell? "Unhappily," says Hoover, "there are many homes where parents are untrained in their obligations to their offspring; where unguarded talk is as regular as three meals a day, where disrespect for authority and criticism of officials are common occurrences where childish independence is encouraged; breaches of discipline and anti-social whims are overlooked; and where God and religion is considered too old-fashion in an age dedicated to materialism." This is indeed an indictment of the homes of the nations. What an opportunity the church has in correcting these evils. Is it safe to go as far as to say that the moral breakdown in the homes may be as a result of a spiritual breakdown in our churches? Too many ministers are interested solely in money as such, which is affecting the spiritual life of the church.

Too many church leaders measure their success on the amount of money raised and not upon spiritual gains.

The Sunday School and BTU Convention can do much to promote a local church training program designed to improve the spiritual life of the church and community for the prevention of crime. But why is it that in many of our district Conventions the ministers will not support this type of program as they do the association? Can it be true that they do not support it because most of the money collected in Conventions go for training and very little for sermons? Would it be right to say that the reason why ministers and deacons do not support Sunday School and BTU Convention programs is because there is very little money for the Executive Board, committee work and for the paying of officers? Why is it (some one please tell just why) that many ministers who pastor churches, who are supposed to be members of the Sunday School and BTU Convention do not even know when the Convention meets? Someone please give a good reason. Some of these questions may come as a shock to many people in many parts of our state, but in many parts of our great and enlightened state, pastors and deacons not only can not tell when their Convention meets, but can not tell where it meets from year to year.

It is believed that if the pastors will encourage the training department of his church, it will improve his church program. It will improve the homes of his parish. Listen to Hoover again in his next challenge: "The children of such homes need help and the Sunday School can do much . . . to bring God and religion into the starved souls of the youngsters. Our Sunday Schools are not sending forth children who easily succumb to life-wrecking temptations. Instead the boys and girls who have gone to Sunday School have been well-prepared for the entire span of life." These excerpts are coming from an individual who speaks from facts and figures and who knows what he is talking about.

"The Sunday School," he continues, "teaches the power of prayer and the need to make God an intrinsic part of our daily lives. The Sunday School teaches the child to rule his spirit and to place a reliance upon God which will not be shaken in later years. It stands as a strong bulwark against the angry waves of evil presently sweeping across the nation. It is a powerful medium in materially reducing the army of youthful offenders and delinquents. . . . If we are to make progress in our fight against crime, make certain that the children of the nation attend Sunday school. It is difficult to understand why many mothers and fathers refuse to afford to their children the wholesome, healthful character-building environment of the Sunday School." Hoover concludes, "as a law enforcement officer, I am certain that unless children are given the opportunity of par-

ticipating in activities which have God as their fundamental objectives, we can not hope to materially reduce crime in our country."

This report is indeed a challenge to us as church leaders. What are we going to do about it church leaders and pastors? Are we going to let the youngsters take the country when we can do something about it? Are we going to be so drunk with the love of money that we can not or will not take a little time to plan and work for their spiritual development? Let us think it over church folk and leaders. Why not?

Total Contributions Received THROUGH OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF N. C. For MISSIONS and CHRISTIAN EDUCATION During JUNE, 1948

Warrenton Colored Baptist: Mr. O. E. Ellis	\$ 9.20
Clock Spring: Rev. L. H. Johnson	3.10
Haywood-Oxford: Rev. L. H. Johnson	1.00
Mrs. Lizzie Austin-Sylva	1.00
W. M. U. of Waynesville Association	1.00
Pleasant Grove-Canton: Rev. R. P. Pringle	2.00
Morning Star-Bryson City: Rev. J. C. McDowell	5.00
Mt. Zion-Murphy: Rev. J. E. McDowell	5.00
Waynesville Association	5.10
Liberty-Sylva: Rev. J. H. Smith	7.00
Liberty Mission Circle-Sylva	1.00
Mt. Olive-Mars Hill: Rev. J. H. Smith	1.00
Mt. Olive-Waynesville: Rev. J. H. Smith	5.00
Pleasant Hill: Rev. L. R. Howell	5.00
Yadkin Davie Convention	5.00
West Roanoke Union	35.75
New Era Association	20.00
Shiloh-Greensboro: Dr. J. T. Hairston	75.00
Temple Memorial-High Point: Rev. F. R. Mason	10.90
Friendship-Winston-Salem: Rev. H. W. Wiley	55.00
Mt. Olive-Winston-Salem: Rev. W. Coates	5.00
New Bethel-Winston-Salem: Rev. Jerry Drayton	125.00
Union-Winston-Salem: Rev. A. H. McDaniel	25.00
United B. T. U.-Winston-Salem: Mr. Fred Wilson	7.00
Mt. Zion-Winston-Salem: Rev. K. O. P. Gooden	40.00
Second Mt. Zion-Winston-Salem: Rev. J. D. Monroe	10.00
Deacon's Union-Winston-Salem	19.00
Tenth Street Bible Class-Winston-Salem	5.00
First-Winston-Salem: Rev. D. R. Hedgley	350.00
Forsyth Co. Sunday School Union	5.00
West End-Winston-Salem: Rev. C. W. Ward	30.00
Rising Star-Winston-Salem	15.00
Shiloh-Winston-Salem: Rev. R. M. Pitts	37.00
Mt. Pleasant-Winston-Salem: Rev. C. C. Crawford	37.00
Mt. Pleasant Senior Missionary Circle	2.00
First Institutional-Winston-Salem: Rev. K. R. Williams	50.00
Educational and Missionary Union	1.00
Baptist Minister's Conference-Winston-Salem	10.00
St. Rodrick-Belmont: Rev. T. L. Blynn	3.50
First Calvary-Salisbury: Rev. S. R. Johnson	2.00
Chapel Grove-Ellerbe: Rev. C. B. Bowden	2.00
Fancy Hill-High Shoals	5.00
Fancy Hill-High Shoals: Rev. J. C. Brewer	25.00
Quankey Chapel-Ronoke Rapids: Rev. R. H. Kidd	2.00
New Bensalem-Robbins: Rev. H. L. Womack	2.31
Terrell Creek-Chapel Hill: Rev. T. A. Grady	4.80
Long Baptist: Rev. G. E. Cherry	5.00
First-Lexington: Rev. A. T. Evans	25.00
Smith Grove-Lexington R. F. D.: Rev. A. T. Evans	7.00
William's Chapel-Wilson	8.00
Silver Chapel-Middlesex: Rev. R. H. Jones	130.00
North End-Rocky Mount: Rev. J. W. Lucas	15.75
First-Apex: Rev. Theodore Walker	22.75
Morehead Avenue-Durham: Rev. E. E. Mc Lester	50.00
Ellerbe Grove-Rockingham: Rev. G. W. Boone	12.71
Friendship Baptist: Rev. J. J. Alexander	50.00
Friendship Chapel: Rev. G. S. Stokes	3.25
Union-Durham: Rev. A. S. Cream	130.00
Rock Hill-Chapel Hill: Rev. J. R. Manley	10.00
St. Delight-Kittrell: Rev. Ned Jones	1.40
Snow Hill-Roseboro	7.00
Jernsalem-Council Bluffs: Rev. R. L. Blue	5.00
Park's Grove-4 miles E. of Wilkesboro: Rev. Dennis Farmer	11.00
Shiloh-Arcola: Rev. E. L. Brodie	4.81
Union-Lexington: Rev. J. Leon Prigden	14.00
Jones Hill Baptist: Rev. R. Horton	1.00
First-Winton: Rev. G. T. Rousin	4.29
Gold Hill: Rev. H. B. Ferguson	10.00
First-Weldon: Rev. J. W. White	32.75
Mt. Gilead-Mt. Olive: Rev. W. E. Battle	1.00
First-Fremont: Rev. L. H. Rand	2.68
Hook's Grove-Pikeville: Rev. J. E. Bowden	2.00
Davidson Grove: Chesapeake, S. C.: Rev. B. J. Ivey	6.75

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ON TO RALEIGH — AUGUST 3-5

Sixty-Fifth Annual Session

State Sunday School and B.T.U. Convention

From Our State Sunday School President

To Our Pastors, Ministers, Presidents of District Conventions, City Unions and Superintendents of Church Schools in North Carolina.

The Sixty-Fifth Annual Session of the Baptist State Sunday School Convention will convene at Shaw University August 3-5, 1948. This convention has in the past held the interest of those in North Carolina interested in the religious educational work of the General Baptist Convention. The program arranged for this session will continue that emphasis.

There has been great progress made by the Baptists in this state during the past year since the last convention was held, in Evangelism, Missions, and Christian Education; the inspiration of the State Sunday School Convention has contributed to this inspired work.

The financial condition of the Baptists of the state as reflected in reports of the Executive Secretary have been very encouraging during the past years; the educational program of the convention has impressed a large number of Baptists in the importance of fuller support of the work of the convention. We must not only continue but improve our financial contributions. The convention during this session wishes to report not less than \$4,000.00 to our highly developed work. Therefore we are asking our district conventions to contribute during the convention, the larger ones \$200.00, the smaller ones \$100.00; city unions \$50.00; Church schools \$15.00 to \$30.00.

Please elect delegates promptly and forward names to Rev. O. L. Sherrill, Executive Secretary, P. O. Box 287, Raleigh, N. C., so that ample preparations can be made for your entertainment while attending the convention.

Faithfully Yours,
E. M. Butler, President.

EXPENSES

Registration	\$1.00	Room and Board	\$5.00
(for entire convention)			

From Our State Baptist Training Union President

My Dear Fellow Christians:

We are now on the eve of our Annual State Convention, which will convene in Raleigh, N. C., August 3, 4 and 5, jointly with our Baptist School, Shaw University, and the Host Churches in the city.

Quite an elaborate program has been arranged for the convention as well as for your information and entertainment dealing with the Baptist program and its relation to our every day Christian living. Begin now to prepare, plan and arrange to attend the entire three day session. Bring as many of your B.T.U. pupils as possible in order that their knowledge of our Baptist Church might be broadened and inspired by the information that will be available to all who attend.

To those who are interested and plan to participate in our Annual James F. Wertz's Oratorical Contest, please get in touch with Miss Clarine Christmas, 704 Bloodworth Street, Raleigh, N. C., and get all necessary information about the contest which will be held Thursday afternoon at 1:00 p.m., August 3, 1948. Get this information in time so there will be no disappointed contestants at the convention.

Finally, as you no doubt may have realized by this late date, that our project to raise \$5,000.00 for the building fund for our State Conventional Building as was pledged at our convention last year, has been called off. It was done so after it was discovered that our proposed project to raise the money was in direct conflict with the program of Stewardship, thus it was called off. However, I am very anxious that we make a representative showing financially at our State Convention. I trust and urge that we make our representative's fee as large as we are able to make it since we were not called upon to support a project.

Also keeping in mind that to the worker who brings in the largest number of newly organized or reorganized BTU's. since our last convention will be awarded the \$25.00 Blanche Evelyn Hawkins' prize. These unions must be represented at this convention and registered to be counted.

Here's hoping to meet you at our Convention face to face, I remain

Yours in Christ,
James T. Hawkins.

WOMAN'S BAPTIST HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY CONVENTION

Auxiliary to the General Baptist

Convention of North Carolina

MRS. VIOLA McMILLAN, *President*

MRS. ELLEN S. ALSTON, *Executive Secretary*

Dear Sister and Co-worker:

Final preparations have been made for the 64th Annual Convention of the Woman's Baptist Home and Foreign Missionary Convention of North Carolina that is to be held this year at the Wakefield Baptist Church, The Reverend W. R. Strassner, Pastor, Zebulon, North Carolina, near Raleigh. The total amount of the fees will be \$4.00. Registration \$1.00, Lodging per night \$1.00).

The meetings will be much of inspiration and challenge. Excellent guest speakers have been selected. Board and Lodging for the entire session will be \$4.00. All meals are included in this fee. You will find the program in this issue of the Informer. There will be three days of inspiration, information and pleasure. Plan now to attend!

OUR GUEST SPEAKER

Mrs. Lena Smith, our Guest Speaker for the sixty-fourth annual session of the Woman's Baptist Home and Foreign Missionary Convention is Field Director, Woman's Division, Baptist General Association of Virginia and Allied Bodies. She is also a trustee of Virginia Union University, Richmond, Virginia. She is an interesting speaker.

Mrs. Smith will use as the Theme of her discussion "The Challenge of the Hour." Be sure TO HEAR HER!!!

Yours for Greater Service,

Ellen S. Alston

CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED THROUGH

WOMAN'S OFFICE

During JUNE, 1948

First Baptist Church, Mrs. Earlie Little—Wadesboro	\$ 5.00
Helper Sales, Mrs. Alice Hilliard—Wadesboro	2.50
Union Baptist Church, Mrs. Alice Brame—Durham	6.00
Manual Sales, Mrs. Alice Hilliard—Wadesboro	1.50
Personal Scholarship, Miss Lillian M. Haywood—Raleigh	1.50
Helper Sales, Mrs. M. J. Cabiness, Gastonia	4.20
Brighthouse Baptist Church, Mrs. Beulah Everett, Laurinburg	7.50
Hanover City & County Union, Mrs. Mattie J. Fennell, Wilmington	6.00
Helper Sales, Mrs. Gladys Davis—Oxford	3.25
Sunday School Union, Mrs. Lillie D. Williams, Clarkson	5.00
Gaston City & County Union, Mrs. M. J. Cabiness, Gastonia	10.00
St. Paul Circle, Mrs. M. J. Cabiness, Gastonia	4.20
Women's Beulah Union, Mrs. Devolia Gordan, Rich Square	6.00
Helper Subscription, Mrs. Charlie Berry, Huntersville	1.00
Registration for Conference, Mrs. W. T. Edmonds, Weldon	1.00
Helper Sales, Mrs. Mamie Rasberry, New Bern	2.65
Helper Sales, Mrs. Nealie Melvin, White Oak	2.30
Helper Sales, Mrs. M. J. Cabiness, Gastonia	4.20
Helper Sales, Mrs. Lula Garrett, Durham	2.00
Helper Sales, Mrs. Addie Lawrence, Ashoke	1.50
Helper Sales, Mrs. Rebecca L. Smith, Rosell	2.65
Women's Aux. Tar River Association, Mrs. Taft—Rev. G. E. Cheek	16.11
Registration Fee Training Conference, Mrs. D. C. Gore	16.11
Haywood Chapel, Mrs. Florence Green, Lenoir	1.00
Lawson Chapel Circle, Person County, Miss Minnie C. Lyon	30.00

Wayne County Union, Mrs. Lillie R. Everett, Goldsboro	8.50
Shady Grove Circle, Mrs. Lillie R. Everett, Goldsboro	1.25
First Baptist Circle, Mrs. Susie P. Williams, Louisburg	2.00
Helper Sales, Mrs. Katie Allen, Henderson	4.20
Helper and Manual Sales, Mrs. Marie Cureton, Oxford	.60
First Baptist Church, Mrs. Addie Allen, Winston-Salem	3.00
First Baptist Church, Mrs. Florence Davidson, Statesville	20.00
Missionary Training Conference, Mrs. Arnetta Davis, Smithfield	1.00
Helper Sales, Mrs. O. R. Johnson, Raleigh	1.00
Helper Subscription, Mrs. Inez Bennett, Burlington	10.00
Mrs. T. S. Eaton, Book, Henderson	.50
Mrs. Viola McMillan, Book, Tarboro	.50
First Baptist Church, Mrs. Katherine Williams, Wilmington	5.00
Hannon Creek Association, Mrs. E. Baldwin, Council	12.00
Helper Subscription, Mrs. Annie Graham, Burlington	7.00
Helper Subscription, Mrs. Leona Dalton, Houstonville	3.00
Stephens Circle, Mrs. Naomi Daniel, Chadbourne	5.00
Bryant Swamp, Mrs. Thelma Pudlo, Bladenboro	5.00
South Greenville Union, Mrs. Mollie Peace, Oxford	7.54
Helper Sales, Mrs. Della M. James, Hickory	4.00
Bladen County Union, Mrs. Rosa Purdy, Bladenboro	8.00
Helper and Manual Sales, Mrs. Bessie Harris, Wilkesboro	5.00
First Baptist Church, Mrs. Delma Lee, Clayton	10.00
Charlotte City Union, Mrs. Mildred Galcher, Charlotte	12.00
Shiloh Circle, Mrs. Clara Moore, Wilmington	5.00
Books and Registration, Mrs. Lula Lucas, Rocky Mount	13.50
Third Creek Circle, Mrs. Martha J. Miller, Stony Point	3.00
Quebec New Association, Mrs. Verna B. Bant, Holivia	5.00
Warren County Institute, Mrs. Princess Wynn, Warrenton	4.50
Duplin—Sampson County, Mrs. Hattie Royal, Mount Olive	1.00
Helper Sales, Mrs. Hattie Royal, Mount Olive	7.00
St. Luke Circle, Duplin Co., Mrs. Hattie Royal, Mt. Olive	1.00
Smith Chapel Warsaw, Mrs. Hattie Royal, Mount Olive	1.00
Hills Chapel, Duplin County, Mrs. Hattie Royal	1.00
Mt. Gilead Circle, Rev. Battle, Mrs. Hattie Royal, Mt. Olive	2.00
Registration Fee, Mrs. P. F. Thomasville	1.00
First Emmanuel Church, Miss Eva McCain, High Point	5.00
Gallie Circle, Mrs. C. C. Billingsley, Oakboro	5.00
Registration Fee, Mrs. James Bradshaw, Gastonia	5.00
Durham City Union, Mrs. Maggie Younger, Durham	50.00
Johnston County, Mrs. Delia Saunders, Selma	12.00
Wayne County Union, Mrs. C. A. Boney, Goldsboro	5.00
Helper Sales, Mrs. C. A. Boney, Goldsboro	1.50
Mrs. C. A. Boney, Eureka Circle, Goldsboro	2.00
Mrs. C. A. Boney, Augusta Chapel, Goldsboro	1.50
Friendship Chapel, Mrs. J. A. Little, Monroe	5.00
Buncombe—Asheville City County Union, Mrs. Gossett, Asheville	2.00
Registration Fee, M. T. Course, Mrs. Creola Armstrong, Candor	20.00
Shiloh Baptist Circle, Mrs. Sudek Johnson, Greensboro	5.00
Helper Sales, Mrs. Elizabeth Jeffers, Effie	1.00
Registration T. Conf., Mrs. Mary Woodward, Mrs. Julia Reed, Charlotte	1.50
Mrs. James A. Alston, Books, Raleigh	24.00
Union Hill Circle, Mrs. Fannie E. Harrison	3.00
Helper Sales, Mrs. Fannie E. Harrison	5.50
Helper Sales, Mrs. Gertrude Degree, Shelby	6.00
Mount Calvary Circle, Mrs. Gertrude Degree, Shelby	1.00
Manual Sales, Mrs. Fannie Mobley, Gastonia	1.25
Mrs. Fannie Mobley, Books, Gastonia	.52
Mrs. Willie Mae Floyd, Books, Gastonia	.52
Mrs. Parthenia Perrell, Books, Winston-Salem	30.40
Foreign Scholarship, Mrs. H. L. Watson by Mrs. Matthews, Weldon	2.00
Personal Foreign Scholarship, Mrs. Lucy Hall, Mrs. Matthews, Weldon	1.00
Personal Foreign Scholarship, Mrs. A. C. Matthews, Weldon	3.00
Helper Sales, Mrs. Edna Gordon, Gastonia	.35
Helper Sales, Mrs. Onelia R. Johnson, Raleigh	1.70
Manual Sales, Mrs. Parthenia Perrell, Winston-Salem	8.50
Helper Sales, Mrs. Louvenia Eaton, Durham	1.05
Buncombe Baptist Circle Lexington, Rev. Mason	1.00
Greenville City B. T. U., Rev. J. N. Nimmons	10.00
High Spring Circle, Rev. J. A. White, Gastonia	5.00
St. James Circle, Mrs. Rosa Bryant, Bolivia	1.00
Davie County Union, Mrs. Vava Lucky, Woodfin	3.00
Benezzer Circle, Mrs. Estelle Weight, Charlotte	2.00
Helper Subscription, Mrs. Maggie Gardner, Clayton	1.00
Helper Subscription to Mrs. Mable Dewey by Mrs. Parthenia Perrell, Winston-Salem	1.00
Group of Friends, Francis Murray Scholarship, Mrs. Emma Powers, Mrs. Bessie Wilson, Duplin Co.	35.00
Wake County Union, Mrs. Harriett Smith, Raleigh	10.00
Helper Subscription, Mrs. Josephine Wause, Louisburg	2.50
Manual Sales, Mrs. Bessie Wilson, Willard	2.50
Helper Sales, Mrs. Princess Wynn, Warrenton	2.60
Mount Vernon Circle, Mrs. B. M. Howard, Durham	10.00
First Baptist Church, Mrs. Bertie Smith, Goldsboro	3.00
Woma's Auxiliary, Mrs. Fannie Roberts, Shelby	112.00
Zion Baptist Church, Mrs. Lillie Mae Tapp, Reidsville	25.00
Greenville Circle, Mrs. Louvenia White, Lumberton	3.00
Burlington City Union, Mrs. Nancy Smith, Burlington	100.00
Helper Subscription, Mrs. Mary L. Williams, Warsaw	1.00
E. Rockford Circle, Mrs. Elizabeth Baswell, Wadesboro	1.75
Helpers, Mrs. Smythy Tyson, Farmville	1.00
Helper Subscription, Mrs. Ruth Smith, Charlotte	1.00
Subscription for Helper, Mrs. Maggie Fesperman, Charlotte	1.00
Subscription for Helper, Mrs. Ethel Alexander, Wilson	1.00
Subscription for Helper, Mrs. Junita Gatewood	1.00
Helper, Mrs. Martha Howard, Reidsville	1.00
Helper, Mrs. B. C. Gore, Longwood	1.00
Helper, Mrs. Bertha Gore	1.00
Helper, Mrs. Josie Davis, Supply	3.25
Helper, Mrs. Beulah Gore, Supply	1.00
Helper, Mrs. Josephine Reeves, Ayden	1.00
Helper, Mrs. Mary J. Lassiter, Wilson, N. C.	1.00
Books, Mrs. Maggie R. Gresham, Spring Hope	.52
Helper Sales, Mrs. Maggie R. Gresham, Spring Hope	2.45

Circle No. 1, First Baptist Church, Mrs. Nannie Fuller, Raleigh	2.50
Helper Sales, Mrs. Elizabeth Boswell, Wadesboro	4.80
First Baptist Church, Oxford, Rev. H. Brooks, Mrs.	
Lucinda Poole	5.00
Registration Training Course, Mrs. Hattie Commodo, Wilmington	20.00
Registration Fee Miss. Training Course, Mrs. Maggie Fesperman, Charlotte	
Helper, Mrs. Alberta Harris, Huntersville	2.00
South Main St. Circle, Mrs. Elsie Williams, Louisburg	2.00
Robeson County Union, Mrs. Isabella Moseley, Lumberton	2.00
First Baptist Circle, Mrs. Alice Walker, Warsaw	2.00
Subscription for Helper, Mrs. Manley E. Reese, Charlotte	1.00
Mount Vernon Baptist Church, Rev. E. B. Suggs, Rich Square, Reedy Creek	1.00
Colobus Union, Mrs. Bessie L. Powell, Clinton	11.00
Zion Grove Circle Rev. H. H. Hart, Mrs. Helen Hardy, Woodland	2.00
Castalia Baptist Circle, Mrs. Annie P. Battle, Castalia	2.00
Helper Sales, Mrs. Essie Cogdell, St. Paul	2.50
First Baptist Circle, Rev. A. T. Evans, Mrs. Lillie M. Evans, Lexington	10.00
Registration Fee Miss. Training Course, Mrs. Lois Pettway, Tarboro	20.00
Registration Fee Miss. Training Course, Mrs. Gladys Mathewson, Tarboro	20.00
First Baptist Circle, Mrs. Anna Walcott, Springs	20.00
White Oak Circle, Mrs. Flora Cameron, Lillington	7.00
Helper Sales, Mrs. Maggie Jordan, Fayetteville	2.63
Mount Calvary Circle, Mrs. Ellen Hicks, Goldsboro	2.00
Grand Circle, Mrs. Lela Mae Papp, New Bern	1.00
Olive Branch, Mrs. Ellen Powell, Wake Forest	2.00
Second Baptist Church, Mrs. Helen McDade, Durham	24.50
Helper Sales, Mrs. Margaret Parker, Raleigh	3.50
Union Baptist Training Course, Mrs. Viola McMillan	4.50
Union Baptist Convention Galax, Virginia, Mrs. Cora P. Thomas, Raleigh	5.00
Registration Fee Miss. Training Course, Mrs. Cora P. Thomas, Raleigh	9.00
Temple Memorial, Mrs. Emily Cannon, High Point	3.00
Helper Sales, Mrs. Nealie Meltrin, White Oak	1.00
First Baptist Church, Mrs. Atha Williams, Warsaw	2.00
Free Woman's Union, Mrs. L. W. Wertz, Hamlet	2.00
Bozzell Creek Circle, Mrs. Nevie Betts, Holly Springs	2.00
Helper Sales, Mrs. Naomi Watts, Taylorsville	9.50
Mount Zion, Mrs. A. Siler, Huxphay	7.00
Mrs. Viola McMillan, Book, Tarboro	.52
New Bensalem Circle, Rev. H. L. Womack, Deep River, Mrs. Isabell Lane, Robbins	2.00
Mrs. Pettway-Mathewson, Books	1.04
Mrs. Matthews, Books	1.04
Helper Subscription, Mrs. Theresa Thompson, Lumberton	1.00
Helper Sales, Mrs. Cassie Lasane, Lumberton	1.00
Shirley Shepherd, Mrs. L. C. Anderson, Colesbee	1.00
Cumberland, Hoke, Bladen, Robeson County Union, Mrs. N. L. Smith, Autryville	25.00
Union Baptist Circle, Mrs. Nannie L. Smith, Autryville	1.00
Savannah Circle, Mrs. Nannie L. Smith, Autryville	1.00
Laura Hill Circle, Mrs. Nannie L. Smith, Autryville	1.00
Swans Creek Circle, Mrs. N. L. Smith, Autryville	5.00
Shirley Sinai, Fayetteville Circle, Mrs. N. L. Smith, Autryville	3.00
Parkton Circle, Mrs. N. L. Smith, Autryville	2.00
Cedar Creek, Mrs. N. L. Smith, Autryville	1.00
2nd New Light Circle, Mrs. N. L. Smith, Autryville	2.00
Shirley Dublin, Mrs. N. L. Smith, Autryville	1.00
Grays Creek Circle, Mrs. N. L. Smith, Autryville	2.00
First New Light Circle, Mrs. N. L. Smith, Autryville	2.00
Union Hill Circle, Mrs. N. L. Smith, Autryville	2.00
Mrs. Carrie B. Crumpler, Personal, by Mrs. N. L. Smith, Autryville	1.00
Helper Sales, Mrs. C. Armstrong, Candor	.35
Mrs. Omelia R. Johnson, Book, Bladenboro	1.00
Oberlin Baptist Circle, Mrs. Annie Pettiford, Rev. U. S. Brown	1.50
Mrs. Ellen S. Alston, Book, Raleigh	3.44
One Day Conference Dist. No. 8 Group 1, Mrs. C. B. Perry, Mrs. Cora P. Thomas	2.00
Long Baptist Circle, Granville County, G. E. Cheek, by Mrs. L. B. Howard, Oxford	1.00
Ebenezer Circle, Mrs. Emma Artis, Wilson	4.00
Pleasant Grove, Mrs. M. Marsh, Salisbury, Saint Pauls	8.82
Mrs. Eva Merritt, Warsaw	30.25
Watha Institute, Lakes Chapel, Mrs. Maggie Mills-Merritt	4.50
Helper Sales, Mrs. Ophelia Bowlers	4.50
Helper Sales, Mrs. Annie Graham, Burlington	3.09
Helper Sales, Mrs. Thelma Purdie, Bladenboro	25.00
St. Pauls Circle, Mrs. Ruth G. Pearson, Charlotte	4.00
East Cumberland, Mrs. Rena Cromartie, Garland	7.50
Mount Calvary Circle, Mrs. G. Hudson, Goldsboro	20.85
Helper Sales, Mrs. F. L. Reeves, Chabourne	2.00
Orange County Union, Mrs. E. H. Trice, Durham	15.00
Lititz Hope Circle, Rev. J. Foster, Mrs. Clarissa Sherrod, Rocky Mount	2.00
Institutional Circle, Mrs. M. J. McLean, Greensboro	15.00
Personal Scholarship, Mrs. Betty Perry-Mrs. C. P. Thomas, Nashville	1.00
Helper Sales, Mrs. Vanila Hayes, Willard	4.90
New Bethel, Mrs. E. Norris, Durham	1.50
E. R. Singletary, Helper Sales, Bladenboro	10.00
Mrs. Ollie Luckado, Oak Grove Circle, Forest City	10.00
Mrs. Ollie Luckado, Helper Sales, Forest City	5.00
Forsyth County Union, Mrs. A. Gaines, Winston-Salem	15.00
Mrs. Lillie George, Whiteville, Helper Sales	1.75
Mrs. O. R. Johnson, Personal Scholarship, Raleigh	10.00
Mount Bright Circle, Mrs. Lela Browder, Hillsboro	4.00
Orange County Mission, Mrs. Lela Browder, Hillsboro	19.00
Durham City—County Union, Mrs. Temple Whitte, Durham	3.00
First Baptist Church, High Point, Mrs. A. Pinnix	6.00
Missionary Training Conference, Mrs. Louvenia Eaton, Mrs. Alston	20.40

Red Spring Circle Chatham County, Mrs. Minnie C. Lyon, Durham	5.50
Helper Sales, Mrs. Lois Pettway, Tarboro	1.00
Helper Subscription, Mrs. Gladys Mathewson, Tarboro	1.00
General Group First Baptist Church, Miss Lillian Haywood, Raleigh	12.50
Antioch Circle, Mrs. L. Warrells, Goldsboro	8.00
Mount Olive Circle, Mrs. Georgiana Williams, Whitesville	2.00
Wilkes County Union, Mrs. Bessie Harris	26.63
West Durham Circle, Mrs. M. D. Satterfield, Durham	10.00
Helper Sales, Mrs. J. A. Little, Monroe	7.25
Helper Sales, Mrs. June Manley, Rocky Mount	.35

Juniors

Union Baptist Junior, Mrs. Alice Brame, Durham	\$ 1.00
Calvary Baptist Junior, Mrs. Lydia Young, High Point	1.00
Brighthopeville, Mrs. Beulah Everett, Laurinburg	1.00
Pilgrim Rest, Wrightsville, Mrs. Gladys Whitefield	4.00
Friends to Nursery Project—Clark by Mrs. Thomas and Simon	1.00
Haywood Chapel Junior Circle, Mrs. Ruth Green, Louisburg	.50
Forsyth County Union, Mrs. A. Horne, Winston-Salem	2.00
One Calendar, Mrs. Marie Cureton, Oxford	.35
Ebenezer Junior Circle, Mrs. Lucy Forman, Wilmington	10.00
South Branch Circle, Mrs. Lee Brand, Henderson	7.00
St. Luke Junior Circle, Mrs. Esther McIver, Laurinburg	2.00
Kenansville First Baptist Church Junior, Mrs. Hattie Royal, Mt. Olive	.50
First Baptist Junior Warsaw, Mrs. Hattie Royal	
Mount Olive	1.00
First Baptist Church, Mrs. Delma Lee, Clayton	1.00
Wayne County Junior Union, Mrs. C. A. Boney, Goldsboro	21.00
First Baptist Circle, Junior, Mrs. Delma, Miss Marie Campbell	3.00
Rosemary Circle, Junior, Mrs. Lucille Crowe, Chapel Hill	2.00
Union Hill Junior Circle, Mrs. Fannie E. Harrison, Nashville	2.00
Miss Georgia Alston, Raleigh, Books	5.46
Mount Calvary Junior Circle, Mrs. Gertrude Degree, Shelby	2.00
Gaston City—County Junior Union, Mrs. Myrtle Hoffman, Gastonia	6.00
First Baptist Junior Circle, Mrs. Mattie L. Royster, Oxford	5.00
Institutional Junior Circle, Mrs. Lucille Johnson, Winston-Salem	1.75
Wake County Junior Union, Mrs. Harriet Smith, Raleigh	10.04
Zion Baptist Junior Circle, Mrs. Lillie Mae Papp, Reidsville	7.00
Mount Vernon Junior Circle, Mrs. B. M. Howard, Durham	5.00
East Rockford Baptist Church Junior Union, Wadesboro, Mrs. Elizabeth Boswell	1.50
Junior Leadership Training Conference, Raleigh	6.69
Long Junior Circle, Granville County, Mrs. Queen E. Roberson	1.00
Mrs. M. A. Horne, Winston-Salem, Books	29.40
Castalia Junior Circle, Mrs. Annie P. Battle, Castalia	3.00
Mount Zion Junior Circle, Mrs. Geo. Armstrong, Candor	5.00
Mount Zion Junior Circle, Mrs. M. A. Horne, Winston-Salem	35.00
Ebenezer Junior Circle, Mrs. Ethel Alexander, Wilson	1.00
Mount Sinai Orange County Junior Union, Mrs. Mary L. Pratt, Durham	2.50
Mrs. Alice Hilliard, Wadesboro, Books	.42
New Bensalem Junior Circle, Mrs. Isabella Lane, Robbins	1.00
Cumberland, Hoke, Bladen, Roberson Junior Union, Mrs. N. L. Smith, Autryville	15.00
Grays Creek Sunshine Band, Mrs. N. L. Smith, Autryville	.25
Mount Shiloh Circle, Williamston, Miss Sadie Hill	5.00
East Cumberland County Union, Junior, Mrs. Rena Cromartie, Garland	5.00
Orange County Junior Union, Mrs. Ella Trice, Durham	.90
West Durham Circle, Mrs. Mary D. Satterfield, Durham	5.00
Wilkes County Junior Union, Mrs. Bessie Harris, Wilkesboro	13.25
Mrs. Harriett Smith, Raleigh, Raleigh City Junior Union	3.00

CONFERENCE DAYSONS

Mrs. E. R. Singletary—Helper Sales—Bladenboro	\$ 2.10
Mrs. Ollie Luckado, Oak Grove Circle, Forest City	10.00
Mrs. Ollie Luckado—Helper Sales, Forest City	5.00
Forsyth County Union—Mrs. A. Gaines, Winston-Salem	15.00
Mrs. Lillie George—Whiteville, Helper Sales	1.75
Mrs. O. R. Johnson, Personal Scholarship, Raleigh	10.00

Did you know that the Young Peoples Missionary Department of Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, is now educating an African Child? His name is Arthur Johnson, Age 15, Tribe Gola, and is in the 2nd Grade. This child was suggested by one of our Loyalty Boys, Donald Jones. Donald chose this child because he was in such a low grade.

Mt. Zion Young Peoples

Missionary Department.

Program - 64th Annual Session - Woman's Convention

Tuesday, August 10, 1948

- 9:30 A. M. Registration Begins
 1:00 P. M. General Board Meeting
 3:00 P. M. A Play—Edgecombe County Juniors, Mrs. L. S. Pittman, Director
 Local Program
 Response—Mrs. J. A. Little, Monroe, N. C.
 Annual Convention Sermon—Rev. J. A. White, Pastor, Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, Shelby, North Carolina
 Offering—The Rev. A. B. Johnson, First Baptist Church, Selma, N. C.
 The Rev. J. W. Jones, Fayetteville Street Baptist Church, Raleigh, N. C.
 The Rev. U. S. Brown, Oberlin Baptist Church, Raleigh, N. C.
 Announcements
 Benediction—The Rev. W. R. Strassner

Wednesday, August 11, 1948

- 6:30 A. M. Early Morning Worship—Mrs. Roxie Moore, Mrs. Katie Allen, Mrs. Bessie Harris, Mrs. Martha Massenburg
 9:00 A. M. Worship—Mrs. Iowa B. Johnson, Mrs. Daisy Holt, Mrs. Fannie Reeves.
 9:15 A. M. President's Annual Message—Mrs. Viola McMillan
 Report of Administrative Officers—General Board, Mrs. T. S. Eaton, Mrs. Clara Nesby
 Field Director, Mrs. M. J. Brown
 Executive Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. E. S. Alston
 Awarding of Blue and Pink Ribbons for regularity
 Address—Mrs. J. S. Farmer, President, Woman's Missionary Union of North Carolina

Wednesday Afternoon

- 2:15 P. M. Address—Mrs. Lena Smith, Field Director, Virginia Baptist Headquarters
 Appointment of Committees
 Presentation of Visitors and New Delegates
 Address—Rev. Moses Delaney, Department Rural Church, Shaw University

Wednesday Evening, Foreign Missions

- 7:30 P. M. Worship—Mrs. Viola Long, Mrs. Nona Daniel, Mrs. Lucille Flack
 7:45 P. M. Address—Mrs. Lena Smith
 Sermon—Rev. R. W. Underwood, Mt. Zion Church, Rocky Mount, N. C.
 Appeal for Foreign Mission
 Rev. T. H. Brooks, Oxford, N. C.
 Rev. C. C. Staton, Weldon, N. C.
 Rev. T. A. Grady, Durham, N. C.

Thursday Morning, August 12, 1948

- 6:30 A. M. Early Morning Worship—Mrs. Roxie Moore, Mrs. Effie Rogers, Mrs. Clara Todd, Mrs. Annie Duke, Mrs. Myrtle Hoffman, Mrs. Irene Maides
 9:00 A. M. Worship—Mrs. Pearl Burton, Mrs. Mollie Chavis, Mrs. Irene Yeates, Mrs. Viola Barnette
 9:15 A. M. Junior President's Annual Message, Miss Eva L. Merritt

- Junior Outlook for 1948, Mrs. L. E. McGrier
 Report of Adviser's Council, Warrenton, N. C.
 Five Minutes Inspirational Talk to Juniors—Sgt. Maxwell D. Bridges
 Recognition of Foreign Scholarship Donors, Mrs. C. P. Thomas
 In Memoriam: Mrs. Flora Thomas, Mrs. Maggie Mills, Mrs. Ella T. Siler, Mrs. L. R. Chavis
 Special Workers report

Thursday Afternoon

- 2:00 P. M. Sermon—Dr. W. C. Somerville, Executive Secretary Lott Carey Convention
 Address—Mrs. Lena Smith
 Temperance Committee—with closing remarks by Mrs. Sallie T. S. Eaton
 Greetings—Representatives—General Baptist State Convention
 Mr. Otis L. Hairston, Editor Baptist Informer, Manager, Supply Store
 The Rev. J. W. White, Director, Christian Education
 The Rev. O. L. Sherrill, Executive Secretary, General Baptist State Convention
 Response—Mrs. Viola McMillan

Thursday Evening

- 7:30 P. M. Worship—Miss Ada Brown, Miss Velma Graham, Miss Mary Debnam
 Music—Convention Choir—Mrs. Pittman and Mrs. Brown
 Presentation of Speakers—Dr. P. A. Bishop, Pres. General Baptist State Convention
 Educational Sermon—Rev. P. H. Johnson, President, Theological Alumni Association, Shaw University
 Message—Rev. J. Otis Roberts, Union Baptist, Tarboro, N. C.
 Appeal for Shaw University
 The Rev. G. E. Cheek, Shaw University
 The Rev. John Manley, Chapel Hill, N. C.
 The Rev. Otis Dunn, Asheville, N. C.

Friday Morning, August 13, 1948

- 6:30 A. M. Early Morning Worship—Mrs. Roxie Moore, Mrs. Clara Wertz, Mrs. Mamie Reeves, Mrs. Gertrude Degree, Mrs. Cecil Suddeth
 9:30 A. M. Report of Departmental Chairmen
 Mrs. L. Y. Brown, Enlistment
 Mrs. M. A. Horne, Mission Study
 Mrs. E. L. Kirby, Personal Service
 Mrs. W. B. Westbrook, Stewardship
 Reports of all Committees
 Finishing of all Business
 President's Closing Words
 "God Be With you Till We Meet Again"
 Benediction

*"Whosoever will be great among you
 let him be your servant; and
 whosoever will be chief
 among you let him
 be your
 servant"*

FORMER EDITOR DIES

The Rev. M. W. Williams, co-author of *Who's Who Among Negro Baptists*, and former editor of the *Union Reformer* (now *Baptist Informer*), died Tuesday at his home on Fayetteville Street, of a heart attack.

He is survived by his widow and two daughters, Mrs. P. A. Bishop, Jr., and Miss Beulah Williams, both of Washington, D. C.

A native of Halifax County, the Rev. Williams attended the Halifax elementary and secondary schools. He was later graduated from A. & T. College of Greensboro with a B.S. degree, and from Shaw University with the B.Th. degree. He did further graduate work in Theology at Moody Bible Institute and the University of Chicago.

For twenty-two years, the late minister served as principal of the State School for Blind and Deaf. During his administration, the school's physical plant grew from two to twelve buildings, and from 31 to 300 acres.

At the time of his death, he was pastor of the First Baptist Church of Franklinton, and the Springfield Baptist Church of Wake County.

Since 1943, he has served as editor of the Sunday School Lesson for the *Carolinian*, local weekly newspaper, and for the past four years he has been chairman of the Raleigh Negro Citizens' Committee.

For more than 40 years, the Rev. Mr. Williams has been active in the work of the Baptist denomination. He served in the following capacities: President of the State Baptist Young People's Union Convention; secretary of the executive committee of the Baptist State Convention; editor of the *Union Reformer*; moderator of the Wake Baptist Association; field worker of the State Baptist Sunday School Convention, and executive board member of the Lott Carey Convention.



The late Rev. M. W. Williams

The Rev. Williams was co-author of *Who's Who Among Negro Baptists*, published in 1940; and author of the *Deacon's Place in the Church*, used nationally as a text book for training courses in Deaconship. The latter book was revised and was published under the caption of the *Deacon and Baptist Doctrine*.

RAMBLINGS OF A REPORTER

By C. C. STATON, sr.

Attending Commencement Exercises at the Tri-County High School at Bricks, North Carolina, on June 3rd, your reporter witnessed a fine climax of more than a decade of efficient services rendered by the scholarly and dynamic principal, the Reverend J. W. Wiley. The superintendent of public schools of Edgecombe County paid the highest tribute possible to Rev. Wiley for the very fine services rendered during his career there. The superintendent expressed the hope that Rev. Wiley would continue to give his services to the South, as this section of the country is very much in need of the services which Rev. Wiley is capable of rendering. His was the most forthright and frank complimentary tribute which it

is possible to pay a public servant. Rev. Wiley has resigned the work at Bricks.

The Rev. M. M. Fisher, of White Rock Baptist Church, Durham, delivered the Commencement address, which was a masterpiece, in both simplicity and thought. The speaker warned the graduating class that "A cloud of witnesses watches them as they run life's race, both living and dead. When he finished all present were greatly inspired.

It was my good pleasure to serve as speaker in Annual Sermons at both Beaufort County Training School, at Pantego, and the Robinson High School, at Winterville. These schools are headed by O. A. Dupree and J. H. Maye, respectively. These young men are doing a marvelous job at their respective tasks.

The Reverend A. C. Matthews, of Weldon, was signally honored by his alma mater, Virginia Seminary and College, at its recent commencement, when he was awarded the degree of Doctor of Divinity. Congratulations!

The writer visited his children and other relatives in New York during the week of June 21-30. He was accompanied by the Reverend A. B. Johnson, of Raleigh.

Wrong Again

Male Customer: "Have you a book entitled, '*Man, the Master of the House*'?"

Salesgirl: "Mister, the fiction department is on the other side of the store."—Christian Herald.

When the traffic cop stopped the motorist, she asked indignantly, "What do you want with me?"

"You were traveling at fifty miles an hour," answered the police officer.

"Fifty miles an hour! Why, I haven't been out an hour," said the woman.

"Go ahead," sighed the officer in despair.—Watchword.

CHURCH AT SHAW DEDICATED

Shaw University's new Chapel, recently completed and valued at \$50,000, was dedicated at special services held June 15 at 8 o'clock. The dedicatory exercises were witnessed by an audience of more than 500, including 250 North Carolina Baptists attending the 12th annual Ministers Institute and Women's Missionary Training Conference held each year at Shaw.

Dr. O. S. Bullock of Raleigh, representing the Executive Board of the General Baptist State Convention, presided at this first service to be held in the new structure. The litany of dedication was directed by President Robert P. Daniel of Shaw after he had accepted the keys to the building from G. E. Jones, Shaw Business Manager.

The dedicatory address was delivered by Dr. P. A. Bishop of Rich Square, President of the General Baptist State Convention of North Carolina and a member of the Shaw University Board of Trustees. Dr. Bishop, who spoke on the subject, "Strength and Beauty in His Sanctuary," declared "This house stands for service. It will touch every interest in this State. It will address itself to poverty, to intemperance, to vice of every sort. It will say to the world, all men are brothers regardless of race, color or creed."

Following the sermon an offering of nearly \$600.00 was taken, after a statement by E. M. Butler who directed the offering. Mr. Butler called for funds to be applied to the cost of the organ and chimes. Earlier the invocation was given by the Rev. J. A. Nimmo and Scripture was read by Dr. J. H. Moore.

Music was furnished by the choir of the First Baptist Church, Raleigh, of which Dr. Bullock is Pastor. Organ prelude and postlude were played by Theodore C. Mayo of the Music Department of St. Augustine's



FIRST NEGRO PRESIDENT—Dr. Robert P. Daniel, above, President of Shaw University, was elected president of the Association of Northern Baptist Educational Institutions at its annual meeting June 24-29 at Green Lake, Wisconsin. The association is composed of 63 institutions, of which 8 are Negro schools. Dr. Daniel, who succeeds Dr. George H. Arnacost, President of the University of Redlands, California, is the first Negro to be elected to the office. He automatically becomes a member of the National Protestant Council on Higher Education.

College, an instructor of music in the current summer school at Shaw. The pipe organ was recently purchased and installed and was played publicly for the first time on the dedicatory occasion.

The chapel, originally a worship unit at Camp Sutton, was greatly modified in its erection. It is to be used immediately as a worship auditorium for students and later will serve as a building for the University's School of Religion. Rooms for Divinity faculties and for the Departments of the Rural Church and of Christian and Missionary Education are planned.

The 30th Anniversary of Dr. G. O. Bullock as pastor of the Third Baptist Church of Washington, D. C., was recently celebrated with a "boom" of greetings and tributes of praise from many sections of the country.

UNION BAPTIST CHURCH OF LEXINGTON MADE STATION CHURCH

Determined to make the church a more dynamic and effective movement for justice and righteousness, the Union Baptist Church of Lexington under the capable leadership of the Rev. J. Leon Pridgeon, was made a station church with a dedicatory and fellowship service the first Sunday in June.

The principal address was given in the afternoon by Otis L. Hairston, editor of the *Baptist Informer*. Mr. Hairston spoke on "The Vocation of the Church." Rev. Pridgeon preached during the morning service.

Climaxing the observance was a dedicatory financial drive in the evening which resulted in receipts of \$1,200.00.

The Union Baptist Church was organized in 1887 by a counsel appointed by the Rowan Baptist Association, the Rev. G. O. Crosby, moderator, and the Rev. G. W. Johnson, pastor. There were 25 members. Of that number, not any survives.

Since the organization, the following pastors have served: The Revs. G. W. Johnson, R. L. Files, J. W. Hawkins, L. W. Wertz, P. Rodgers Brown and the present pastor—J. Leon Pridgeon.

Pridgeon, a native of Goldsboro, was graduated from Shaw University May of this year with the A.B. and B.D. degrees. Since his brief pastorate of eight months, the church has added 92 members and has increased its weekly receipts over 100 per cent.

The Rev. Dr. Bullock before going to Washington served as president of the General Baptist Convention of the District of Columbia, and as president of the Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Missions Convention, U. S. A.

Auxiliaries of the Union Baptist Church, Lexington





Leaders, teachers and pupils attending the Sixth Annual Training Conference for Sunday School and Baptist Training Union workers at Shaw University, June 28-July 2.

STATE MISSION DAY OBSERVED

By G. RAYMOND GRIFFIN

Elizabeth City on the third Sunday in June, at 3:30 o'clock P. M., the first "State Mission Day" was observed at this historic Olive Branch Baptist Church, the Rev. F. L. Henley, Pastor, with the Rev. O. L. Sherrill, Executive Secretary of the General Baptist State Convention, as featured speaker.

From all angles, this first effort at holding a "State Mission Day" was most successful. Several of the churches of the Roanoke Missionary Baptist Association were represented favorably; although there were many whose absence was conspicuous. The brethren will in time, we hope, wake up to the great Cause of Missions in the Baptist Church.

As he only can do, Dr. Sherrill delivered a most profound, and practical address that held his audience spell-bound for three-quarters of an hour. His dynamic and persuasive personality, and his forceful delivery drove some very striking truths home to his hearers. He condemned the many non-Biblical practices we have infused into the Church of the Living God, and very

forcefully denounced the many "cornfield QUARTETS" looking for the "Stone" that was hewed out of the mountain," from beneath a pulpit chair or behind the piano. Only Sherrill can produce suitable phrases for such un-Godly acrobatics. He also preached to a packed house at the morning worship hour for Rev. Henley. Both of these messages will long be remembered by those who were present.

As I mentioned, a number of our Churches represented favorably. Among them were, the Olive Branch Church, Corner Stone Church, Calvary Baptist Church, and St. Stephen's Baptist Church, all of Elizabeth City, pastored by the Rev. F. L. Henley, J. R. R. McRay, S. L. Lawrence and R. A. Adams, respectively. The St. Paul Baptist Church, Sunbury, Rev. E. R. Griffin, Pastor; the Mt. Delaney Baptist Church, Mackey's, N. C., Rev. J. C. Rogers, Pastor; the Corinth Baptist Church, Jarvisburg, the Rev. B. C. Ellis, Pastor; the St. John Baptist Church, Alligator, Tyrrell County, Rev. G. Raymond Griffin, Pastor; and others whom this writer does not recall at the present. A total of one hundred dollars and thirty-three cents was received from this initial effort.

May God bless all of the brethren for their support in this great work, and may we redouble our efforts and spread the good news among those who were absent, so that we can realize One Thousand dollars in our next effort. We can do it brethren, we ought to do it, and we must do it, if the church is to serve her true purpose in a sin-darkened world.

ANNUAL SHAW SUMMER CONFERENCE HELD

The twelfth annual Minister's Institute and the eleventh Women's Missionary Training Conference were held at Shaw University Monday through Friday, June 14-18. The opening session, Monday afternoon at 1:30 was an organization meeting and was directed by President Robert P. Daniel of Shaw.

All-conference and summer session assemblies were held Wednesday and Friday mornings 11:30 in Greenleaf Auditorium. The Rev. Sandy F. Ray, Pastor of Cornerstone Baptist Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., was heard Tuesday in one of a series of three lectures on "The Church and Social Issues." Dr. Holloman spoke at the service Friday morning.

CHURCHES OBSERVE ANNI-VERSARIES

By W. L. DAVIS

Winston-Salem—A total of 101 years, in church growth and kingdom building for Jesus Christ, was celebrated by two Baptist Churches in Winston-Salem during June.

New Bethel Baptist Church, which according to the legend told by old timers was begun from a prayer meeting in which a small group of persons held the torch of Christian light for a designed organization of more than 2,000 members today, celebrated its 58th anniversary and the fourth anniversary of the pastorate of Rev. Jerry Drayton.

During the physical decline of the late Rev. Jerry Calvin Gilmore, successor to the late Rev. J. H. Hamlin, Rev. Mr. Drayton was a student in the School of Religion at Howard University in Washington and was chosen to be acting pastor of the church. At the passing of Dr. Gilmore, he was selected as pastor.

Antioch Baptist Church on East Thirteenth Street has passed its forty-third milestone of religious progress. The membership celebrated its birthday jointly with an observance of one year of pastorate of Rev. Spurgeon O. Stevenson.



The Rev. J. A. Little of Monroe, has been extended a call to the pastorate of the First Baptist Church of Hamlet, it was learned this week.

For the past 11 years, the Rev. Mr. Little has served as pastor of the Friendship Baptist Church in Monroe. Since his pastorate at Friendship, a new structure has been erected and the church membership has been doubled.

Sessions of the Johnston District Baptist Training Union and Sunday School Conventions were held at the Galilee Baptist Church, Smithfield, June 25-27, with a major theme: "Christian Training for Christian Peace." W. R. Collins is president of the Sunday School Convention and the Rev. A. G. Coley heads the Baptist Training Union.

The Rev. Alfred Reddick Smith, recent graduate of Shaw University with the A.B. and B.D. degrees, was recently installed as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Smithfield, N. C.

The principal installation sermon was preached by the Rev. O. L. Sherrill, Executive Secretary of the General Baptist State Convention of North Carolina. Also, preaching for the observance were: Dean W. R. Strasser, Dean of the School of Religion, Shaw University; the Rev. W. H. Muldrow, Pastor of A. M. E. Church of Smithfield; the Rev. J. W. Jones, Pastor of Fayetteville Street Baptist Church of Raleigh, and the Rev. G. W. Todd, Pastor of Mt. Calvary Church of Goldsboro, North Carolina.

The Rev. Smith is a native of Wilmington, N. C., and is the son of the Rev. J. G. Smith of Raleigh.

Contributions

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Mt. Pleasant—Rev. A. L. Thompson	8.00
Mitchell Creek—Oxford	3.70
Mt. Calvary—Sheilly; Rev. J. A. White	9.03
South Main Street—Louisburg; Rev. D. P. Lewis	3.60
Elberle Grove—Rockingham; Rev. C. W. Boone	1.80
First—Statesville; Rev. J. W. Croom	10.00
Saint Delight—Walstonburg; Rev. Willie Cotton	5.00
Snow Hill—Northla; Rev. E. L. Brodie	4.00
First—Stedman; Rev. R. P. Farrior	3.53
Mt. Level; Rev. H. Thompson	20.00
Rockey Chapel; Rev. Avery Horton	5.00
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St. James—Elizabeth City; Rev. H. C. Saunders	2.00
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St. Paul—Cowanake; Rev. E. H. Griffin	5.00
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Corner Stone—Elizabeth City; Rev. J. R. R. McRay	25.00
Calvary—Elizabeth City; Rev. S. L. Lawrence	3.40
St. John—Alligator; Rev. G. Raymond Griffin	1.00
Public Collection—Olive Branch Baptist—Eliz. City	2.31
Mt. Olive—Lewiston; Rev. C. E. Griffin	2.00
First—Calypso; Rev. S. M. White	2.00
Fairview—Salisbury; Rev. V. C. Burns	3.00
Pleasant Grove; Rev. F. K. Patterson	10.00
Oberlin—Raleigh; Rev. U. S. Brown	10.00
Rocky Spring—Credmoor; Rev. L. J. Alexander	2.00
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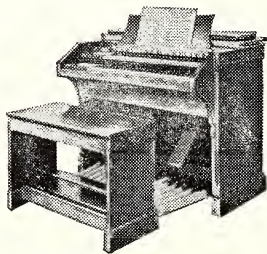
Locust Grove—Wise; Rev. J. M. Burchette	12.50
Jerusalem—Woodland; Rev. T. A. Watkins	13.11
Pleasant Hill—N. Wilkesboro; Rev. Wm. Turner	3.00
New Light—Lenoir; Rev. V. C. Burns	4.00
Hayes Chapel—Atkinson; Rev. J. W. Williams	2.58
Fee Dee—Lileville; Rev. T. S. McIver	2.25
Lovely Hill—Macon; Rev. E. B. Suggs	5.00
Mt. Pilgrim—Lake Landing; Rev. J. A. Mackey	3.15
Minister's and Deacon's Union; Rev. T. A. Grady	23.48
First—New Hill; Rev. W. H. Bland	5.00
Vance Co. Sunday School Convention	50.00
Antioch—Monroe; Rev. E. H. Martin	23.67
Pine Grove—Macon; Rev. C. C. Staton	4.60
Phipp's Chapel—Henderson; Rev. Roger Brodie	2.31
Philippi—Coffield; Rev. C. A. Hart	24.39
Mt. Calvary—Siler City; Rev. C. Taylor	5.00
Mt. Sinai—Fayetteville	12.00
Mt. Moriah—Louisburg; Rev. A. L. Morgan	1.25
Fayetteville Street—Raleigh; Rev. J. W. Jones	5.00
Rev. J. W. Jones—Raleigh	3.00
Ebenezer—Wakesboro; Rev. B. K. Mason	5.00
Eastern Star; Rev. R. L. Watson	10.00
Mt. Sinai—Lenksville; Rev. F. S. Smith	18.00
Piney Wood Chapel—Rev. W. H. Trotman	10.06
Bethlehem—Carthage; Rev. J. W. Mason	3.10
St. John—Climax; Rev. J. W. Mason	3.91
New Zion—Jonesboro; Rev. J. W. Mason	4.85
Hawkins Chapel—Franklin; Rev. M. P. Davis	1.00
Mt. Sinai—Durham; Rev. James Stewart	26.60
St. John—Asheboro; Rev. C. W. Anderson	25.94
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